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ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE 41ST ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

CAREY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION

ASHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH, ASHLAND, ALA.,
OCT. 16, 17 AND 18, 1895.

BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The Moderator shall call the meeting to order.

Read the letters and enroll the names of messengers.

Elect a Moderator and Clerk.

The Clerk shall be Treasurer.

Moderator appoint Committees on Preaching and Finance.

Read Abstract of Principles; Constitution and Rules of Decorum.

Call for Petitionary Letters.

Receive Correspondents from sister Associations.

Appoint Correspondents to sister Associations and Conventions.

Call for Reports of Standing Committees.

Approve places of holding district meetings.

Appoint a person to write Corresponding Letters.

The Preaching Committee to report who shall preach the Introductory Sermon at the next session.

Appoint time and place of holding the next session of this Association.

Hear the Report on Finance.

Consider resolutions that may be entertained by the body.

Miscellaneous business.

MINUTES OF THE 41ST ANNUAL SESSION
OF THE
CAREY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

The Ashland Baptist Church, Ashland, Ala.,
October 16, 17 and 18,

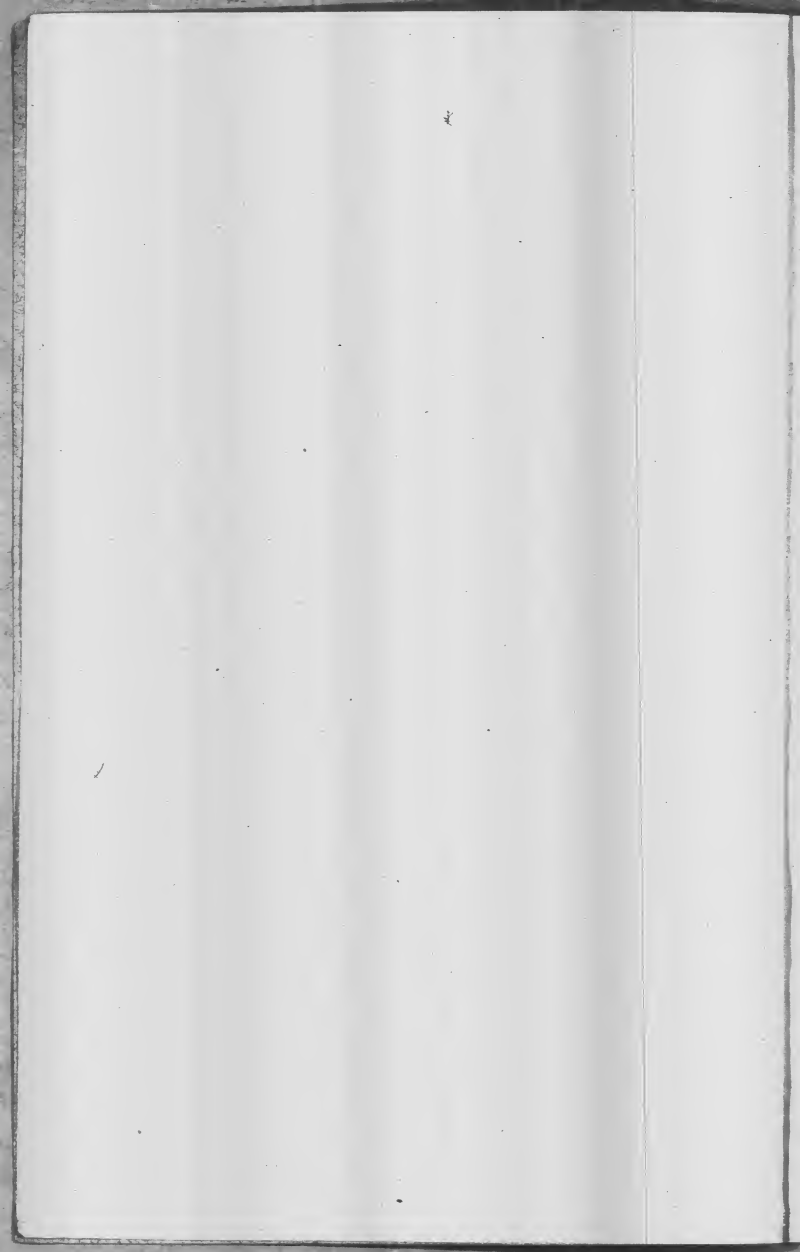
1895.

OFFICERS:

REV. W. T. DAVIS, MODERATOR, Lineville, Ala.
J. A. BELL, CLERK AND TREASURER, Lineville, Ala.

The next session of the Carey Baptist Association will be held with Millerville
Church, Clay County, Alabama, commencing on Wednesday
before the third Sunday in October, 1896.

TALLADEGA, ALA.:
PRESS OF OUR MOUNTAIN HOME.
1895.



MINUTES.

The ministers and messengers composing the forty-first annual session of the Carey Baptist Association assembled with Ashland Baptist Church on Wednesday, the 16th day of October, 1895, at 11 o'clock A. M.

After singing and prayer the Introductory Sermon was preached by Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw from the first chapter of Joshua, in which he strongly and beautifully presented the duties and relations of pastors to their churches.

Adjourned for one hour.

2 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Association was called to order by the Moderator, Rev. W. T. Davis. After singing, and prayer by Rev. W. H. Preston, the letters from the churches were presented, and the Moderator appointed Brethren J. R. Jarrell, F. J. Ingram and J. T. Mountain to read them.

Messengers were enrolled as follows :

FIRST DISTRICT.

ASHLAND—L. G. Dean, F. J. Ingram, E. T. Haynes and J. J. Smith.
ANTIOCH—J. W. Sewell, L. F. Morgan and W. D. Morgan.
HATCHETT CREEK—J. D. Garrett.
FRIENDSHIP—H. T. Grogan, G. W. Wynn and J. D. Griffin.
LIBERTY—W. W. McNath, J. H. Allen and A. L. Haynes.
MOUNT LEBANON—Not represented.
ROCK HILL—H. T. Mitchell and B. B. Hill.
SPRING HILL (Clay)—J. T. Horn, W. B. Hardigree and J. W. Treadwell.
POLE BRIDGE—Robert Stringfellow.
BOWDEN GROVE—Z. T. Carpenter, C. J. Hamlin and W. V. Thomas.

SECOND DISTRICT.

MOUNT ZION—R. E. Dewberry and S. C. Graham.
MILLERVILLE—W. M. Catchings, J. W. Martin, J. T. Anderson and J. W. Carr.
NEW SALEM—B. J. Worthy, W. Hickey and J. D. Wright.
PROVIDENCE—E. C. Holdridge, J. B. Partridge and G. T. Vernon.
ROCK CREEK—W. S. Lawhorn, W. H. McWhorter and Y. B. McWhorter.

ROCK SPRING—C. Z. Luker, J. A. Beard and J. B. Luker.
SARDIS—Truman McCord, J. W. Hooton and Joe Jones.
UNION HILL—J. P. Williams.

THIRD DISTRICT.

BETHEL (Clay)—J. C. Galloway and W. J. Jones.
COUNTY LINE—J. D. Dawkins, A. J. Johnson, W. S. Miller, R. O. Hamlin, J. T. McMath and A. H. Fargoson.
CORINTH—P. Y. Robertson, J. W. Orr and J. S. Orr.
LYSTRA—A. P. McDaniel, Green Shaddix and Henry Holman.
MOUNT CALVARY—S. B. Claybrook, A. A. Worthy, R. W. Claybrook and J. E. Fargoson.
MOUNT OLIVE—J. W. Wright, J. R. Wilson and William Daniel.
MOUNT PISGAH—J. T. Mountain and J. I. Waldrop.
MOUNT SPRING—Not represented.
SPRING HILL (T.)—J. R. Jarrell, A. D. Thompson, J. D. Dunn, O. J. Ison, C. C. Farguson and H. W. Adkins.
UNION—J. D. Fuller, S. A. Kilgore, R. E. N. Rice and J. P. Motley.

FOURTH DISTRICT.

CONCORD—J. W. Bishop, G. A. Haynes and Henderson Carpenter.
GOOD HOPE—N. F. Owen and J. W. Jackson.
LINEVILLE—J. W. Moon, W. B. Smith, J. A. Bell, C. B. Nichols and W. D. Haynes.
MOUNT PROSPECT—P. T. Yates and J. H. Willingham.
MOUNT PLEASANT—W. P. Bell and Y. J. A. Bartlett.
NEW HOPE—W. M. Childs, A. J. Mackey and W. D. Bassett.
SALEM—H. H. Peard, A. J. McConnell, F. Carter, James Amerson and J. V. Wilson.
SHILOH—A. W. Parker, A. P. Oslin and C. K. Parker.
ZION HILL—J. T. McKleroy, J. W. Ingram, L. W. Nelson and L. B. Barnett.

Mount Pisgah Church petitioned for membership and was received in to the Association.

On motion the Moderator and Clerk, Rev. W. T. Davis and J. A. Bell were re-elected by acclamation.

On motion the reading of the Constitution, Abstract of Principles and Rules of Decorum were omitted.

The Moderator appointed the following committees:

PREACHING—O. J. Ison, W. D. Haynes, H. H. Beard, with pastor and messengers from Ashland Church.
FINANCE—W. B. Smith, F. J. Ingram and A. W. Parker.

Committee announced that Rev. J. R. Conger would preach at night (Wednesday), and Dr. J. P. Shaffer at 11 o'clock Thursday.

Messengers were assigned to homes, and after singing and prayer the Association adjourned till 8:30 A. M. Thursday.

OCTOBER 17TH, 8:30 A. M.

After singing, and prayer by Rev. Alex. Allen, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

Correspondents from sister Associations were called for, and the following named brethren responded :

BOILING SPRINGS—Rev. J. A. Shadix, W. M. Garrett, H. C. Knight, C. C. Barrett and J. A. Davis.

LIBERTY—Dr. J. P. Shaffer and Dr. W. C. Bledsoe.

COOSA RIVER—Rev. E. M. Moore.

Correspondents were appointed as follows :

LIBERTY ASSOCIATION—To convene with the Baptist church at Milltown on Tuesday after first Sunday in October, 1896: Revs. W. J. D. Upshaw, W. H. Preston, J. R. Conger, J. D. Dunn, M. A. Johnson, and brethren J. R. Jarrell, J. T. Mountain, J. D. Thomas and J. W. Partridge.

BOILING SPRINGS—Four miles east of Delta, Saturday before the third Sunday in October, 1896: Revs. W. H. Preston, W. T. Davis, R. J. Adamson, and brethren Y. J. A. Bartlett, F. J. Ingram, J. T. Hudson, Alex. Allen, G. B. Shadix and J. T. Williams.

ROCK MILLS—Time and place not given: Revs. R. J. Adamson and R. M. Allen.

CENTRAL—To convene with the Baptist church at Alexander City on Wednesday before the first Sunday in October, 1896: Revs. W. J. D. Upshaw, R. E. Conger, M. A. Johnson, J. A. Conger, and B. J. Wright.

COOSA RIVER—Time and place not given: Revs. J. W. Knowles and W. T. Davis, brethren H. Runyan and H. J. Willingham.

TALLAPOOSA RIVER—Time and place not given.

ARBACOOCHA—To convene with the Baptist church at Antioch October 19, 1895: Revs. J. W. Knowles and R. J. Adamson.

On motion, the "Calhoun" was added to our list of corresponding associations, and the following brethren were sent to represent us: Revs. W. H. Preston, W. H. Johnson and W. T. Davis.

THE STATE CONVENTION—To convene with the Baptist church at Selma, Alabama: Revs. W. J. D. Upshaw, W. T. Davis, R. M. Allen, J. W. Knowles, M. A. Johnson and Alex. Allen.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST CONVENTION—To convene with the Baptist church at Chattanooga, Tennessee, on Friday before second Sunday in May, 1896: Rev. J. C. Motley; alternate, J. A. Bell.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and a collection taken for sister Heath, whose dwelling was burned the day previous. Amount cash collection, \$17.63.

On motion, it was agreed to have all reports on missions read and discussed under one head. The herewith appended

reports on State Missions, Home Missions, Foreign Missions, Bible and Colportage Work, Evangelist and Colporteur were read. The discussion was opened by Dr. W. C. Bledsoe, who represented the State Mission Board and the Mission Journal. His speech was stirring, well received, and will no doubt have a telling effect on the Carey Association.

At 11 o'clock, the regular order of business was suspended, by motion, to hear preaching by Dr. J. P. Shaffer in the Methodist church, and Rev. J. C. Motley in the Baptist church. Dr. Shaffer used for his text the Lord's prayer, and gave his hearers a discourse thrilling with lore and pathos that they will long remember.

Adjournment for one hour, for dinner.

At 2 o'clock the body assembled, and, after prayer by Rev. R. M. Allen, the Association was called to order by the Moderator.

The discussion of the reports on Missions, etc., was reopened, Dr. W. C. Bledsoe being allowed to conclude his unfinished speech. The following brethren continued the discussion: W. T. Davis, J. P. Shaffer, R. E. Conger, W. H. Preston, W. H. Johnson, W. O. Jenkins, W. M. Garrett.

The mission feeling being at high tide, it was seen that all the brethren desiring to speak could not be heard without continuing to another day, and, on motion of J. R. Jarrell, the Association adjourned to 8:30 A. M. Friday, the committee having announced that Dr. W. C. Bledsoe would preach in the Methodist church at 7:30 P. M.

FRIDAY, 8:30 A. M.

Singing; prayer by Rev. W. M. Garrett. The Association was then called to order by the Moderator.

The reports on missions were further discussed by brethren J. D. Dunn, W. J. D. Upshaw, W. P. Bell and R. M. Allen, after which they were separately adopted as read.

The appended report on Sabbath-schools was read, discussed by Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw, and adopted.

The report on Temperance was read and adopted.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and collection taken to raise funds to supplement an amount previously raised otherwise for purchasing an artificial limb for the crippled daughter of J. T. Cook. Amount collected, \$24.00.

At 11 o'clock the body listened to an excellent sermon by Dr. Shaffer in the Baptist church, and Rev. W. M. Garrett was sent to preach to an overflow meeting in the Methodist church.

Adjourned for dinner.

At 2 o'clock, after singing, and prayer by Rev. W. C. Brooks, the Moderator called the Association to order.

The report on Ministerial Education was read and discussed by brethren W. T. Davis, J. J. McCord, R. E. Conger, W. C. Brooks and J. P. Shaffer. An amendment was offered by W. J. D. Upshaw and adopted recommending Dr. Anderson's Sermonizing System for the consideration of the preachers of the Carey Association.

Report on Periodicals was read, and after a short discussion by Dr. J. P. Shaffer and Rev. W. J. D. Upshaw, was adopted.

Times and places of holding district meetings :

FIRST DISTRICT—Time and place not given.

SECOND DISTRICT—Sardis Church, Friday before second Sunday in April, 1896.

THIRD DISTRICT—Spring Hill (T.), Friday before the fourth Sunday in May, 1896.

FOURTH DISTRICT—Lineville Church, Friday before the first Sunday in July, 1896.

The Association was advised that Rev. M. A. Johnson was exceedingly anxious to attend school and needed some assistance from the body to enable him to do so.

Prof. H. J. Willingham, President of Lineville College, proposed to give him free tuition and furnish all needed text books free, and J. E. Moon offered him a house free of rent if he would move to Lineville.

Prof. J. A. Lowry, President of Ashland College, proposed, then, to give him free tuition and furnish all needed text books free, and R. W. Manning offered him 10 acres of land free of rent, and E. T. Haynes proposed to furnish him a house free of rent.

Brethren J. C. Galloway and A. J. Jones were requested to notify brother Johnson of these offers.

Report on Finance was read and adopted.

On motion, a unanimous vote of the Association instructed the Treasurer to pay Rev. W. T. Davis, our Evangelist and Colporteur, the amount collected for Evangelist and Colporteur, and then pay him the balance due for services in 1895 out of the different mission funds sent up to the Association, and the remainder of said mission funds, if any, to be held subject to the orders of the Executive Committee.

By motion, it was ordered that the Carey Baptist Association employ an Evangelist and Colporteur for the ensuing year, and it was the sense of the body that Rev. W. T. Davis should be retained by the Executive Committee in that work, and that he be employed for his full time.

On motion, the regular order of business was suspended and the following amounts were pledged for the ensuing year:

EVANGELIST AND COLPORTEUR.

Ashland - - -	\$ 2 50	Antioch - - -	\$ 2 50
Bethel (C.) - - -	2 50	County Line - - -	2 50
Corinth - - -	2 00	Good Hope - - -	2 00
Hatchett Creek - - -	5 00	Liberty - - -	2 50
Lystra - - -	2 00	Lineville - - -	20 00
Bowden Grove - - -	2 50	Concord - - -	2 50
Mt. Zion - - -	1 00	Mt. Calvary - - -	5 00
New Salem - - -	2 50	Pole Bridge - - -	2 00
Millerville - - -	5 00	Providence - - -	10 00
Rock Spring - - -	2 00	Rock Creek - - -	2 00
Rock Hill - - -	2 00	Sardis - - -	3 00
Salem - - -	2 00	Spring Hill (C.) - - -	2 50
Spring Hill, Tallapoosa, 10 00		Union - - -	2 50
Union Hill - - -	1 00	Zion Hill - - -	2 50
Mt. Pleasant - - -	2 50	Mt. Prospect * - - -	2 00

* Per R. J. Adamson.

MISSIONS.

Ashland - - -	\$50 00	Mt. Calvary - - -	\$10 00
Bethel (C) - - -	2 50	Mt. Prospect - - -	5 00
Bowdon Grove - - -	5 00	New Salem - - -	2 50
County Line - - -	5 00	Pole Bridge - - -	2 00
Corinth - - -	3 00	Millerville - - -	15 00
Concord - - -	3 50	Providence - - -	30 00
Good Hope - - -	8 00	Rock Spring - - -	5 00
Hatchett Creek - - -	1 00	Rock Hill - - -	2 00
Liberty - - -	5 00	Sardis - - -	3 00
Lystra - - -	2 00	Shiloh - - -	8 00
Lineville - - -	60 00	Salem - - -	25 00
Spring Hill (T.) - - -	40 00	Mt. Pleasant - - -	15 00
Spring Hill (C.) - - -	5 00	Zion Hill - - -	5 00
Mt. Zion - - -	1 00	Union - - -	2 50

The Clerk was appointed to write the corresponding letter.

Rev. J. R. Conger was appointed to preach the introductory sermon at the next session of the body; alternate, R. M. Allen.

A motion prevailed that the next session of this Association be held with the Baptist Church at Millerville on Wednesday before the third Sunday in October, 1896.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, 1st, That the Clerk be allowed \$15.00 for preparing and distributing minutes.

Resolved, 2d, That the sincere thanks of this body be tendered to the Baptist Church and citizens of Ashland for the very hospitable manner in which the Association was entertained, and also to the Methodist Church for allowing us the use of their building to hold preaching services.

After all joined in a soul inspiring song, and Rev. R. J. Conger led in a fervent prayer the Carey Association had finished one of the most interesting sessions in its history, and, on motion, adjourned.

J. A. BELL, CLERK.

W. T. DAVIS, MODERATOR.

REPORTS.

REPORT ON PERIODICALS.

To the Carey Baptist Association:

BRETHREN—We, your committee, beg leave to submit the following:

We recommend the Alabama Baptist to the members of this Association. We believe from the study of its pages that it will inculcate Baptist principles stronger in the minds of its readers, and that it will act as a stimulant, causing us to be more energetic in the work of Christ.

We recommend our Southern Baptist Convention series of Sunday-school helps and paper as being equal to any published anywhere. We recommend Sabbath-schools to every church and the use of this noble literature, because it enables us to get truths from the Bible that we could not get without its helps.

We recommend the Mission Journal to all our people. We get the information from its pages that is so much needed among the brethren of some of our churches. We believe by studying this journal and taking heed to its teachings that we could march up to this Association a stronger band of missionaries than ever before in the history of our Association.

A. W. PARKER, Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

We employed Brother W. T. Davis to work as Evangelist and Colporteur in the Association at the rate of thirty-three and one-third dollars per month, allowing him to serve but one church, and limiting him to six months' work, but to be paid only for the work done.

We most earnestly recommend the continuation of this work.

Respectfully submitted,

ALLEN D. THOMPSON,

J. R. JARRELL,

A. C. ALLEN,

J. D. DUNN,

J. P. MOTLEY,

Committee.

REPORT OF EVANGELIST AND COLPORTEUR.

(FOR THE YEAR 1894-5.)

Number of Bibles sold, 23, value, \$27.65; Number of Bibles donated, 2, value, 75 cents; Number of Testaments sold, 78, value,

\$12.05; Number of Testaments donated, 4, value, 20 cents; Number of religious books, 102, value, \$48 90. Total number, 209. Total value, \$89.55. Number of tracts, 1,450; Number S. S. lectures, 2; Number of prayer meetings attended, 17; Number of families visited, 225; Number of miles traveled, 1,185; Number of sermons preached, 94; Number of days' work done, 155.

Amount due for work, \$172.00.

Amount paid by J. A. Bell, Treasurer, \$172.00.

W. T. DAVIS, Evan. and Colp.

REPORT ON BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE.

We, your Committee on Bible and Colportage work, submit the following:

The Bible is God's revelation to man, and it is necessary that every person be in possession of God's revealed word. So your committee recommends that the Carey Baptist Association employ a good man for the whole associational year. Let him meet each pastor at some of his regular appointments, and let him visit all the destitute places in the Association and preach for them, also let him visit from house to house, distributing Baptist news and religious literature, teaching and praying with the people. By so doing, all the people may come in possession of the word of God, and the destitute places may be enlightened, churches built up, and much good done. Your committee further recommends Brother Davis as a suitable man for the work, as he has a good experience in the Colportage work.

H. H. BAIRD, Chairman.

REPORT ON STATE MISSIONS.

DEAR BRETHREN—Your Committee beg leave to submit the following report on our State work:

Regarding the subject in the light of truth, we trust that it is the motto of the Baptist host of Alabama to carry the gospel of God to every nook and corner of the State. Indeed, if we rightly appreciate the command of our blessed Lord and master, we can not be content while there are any who are destitute of the word of life in our bounds. The memorable words of the Savior found written in Acts 1: 8. "Ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth," should certainly have a charm for each true disciple of Christ that would impel him to the highest possible idea of duty with reference to State Missions, which answers beautifully to the Judean missions of Christ's day.

This great work has been grandly supervised for many years by our beloved W. B. Crumpton. Many churches have been constituted, many houses of worship have been erected, many happy hearts are lifted Heavenward today over the State, and many sacred altars of worship have been erected to God's honor during our organized efforts to preach the gospel to the destitute of our beloved Alabama, a great portion of which, doubtless, would not have been accomplished had it not been for the united effort of the brotherhood of the State.

Also, State mission is the foundation of all other mission work. It is building surely; it is building scripturally—"Beginning at Jerusalem." But, at the same time, we can't afford to wait for the conversion of all in our bounds before we press out into all Judea and to the uttermost part of the earth.

For further information, we refer you to the report of the State Board of Missions, which we submit as a part of this document for your consideration.

Further, we recommend that this Association continue their hearty co-operation with the State board, and raise by subscription, or pledge, the amount apportioned us by the board.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. D. UPSHAW,

For the Committee.

REPORT BAPTIST STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS FOR ONE YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1895.

The following annual report is published to enable chairmen of committees in the Associations to make their reports. The regular report will not be made till November for the Convention which meets the 13th of that month in Selma.

W. B. C.

SUMMARY OF THE WORK FOR THE YEAR ENDING JULY 1, 1895.

Number of men employed	40
(Of these 13 were Missionary Colporteurs.)	
Days of service	5,011
Miles traveled	30,461
Sermons delivered	2,332
Addresses made	1,132
Churches constituted	1
Number of persons baptized	337
Baptized by others	369
Received by letter	305
Restored	42
Sunday-schools organized	43
Ladies' Missionary Societies organized	10
Prayer meetings organized	101
Prayer meetings held	639
Number of visits to preaching stations	301
Number of churches visited	613
Number of visits made	7,127
Subscribers to the Alabama Baptist secured	287
Subscribers to the "For. Mis. Journal" secured	129
Pages of tracts distributed	23,566
Meeting houses commenced	7
Meeting houses finished	8
Money collected for meeting houses	\$ 477 90
Money collected for Missions	1,575 27
Money collected for Ministerial Education	15 50
Money collected for Orphans' Home	92 80
Money collected for Bible and Colportage Board	42 40
Number of books sold	994
Value of same	\$ 474 82
Number of Bibles and Testaments sold	617
Value of same	\$ 600 83
Number of Bibles and Testaments donated	80

Value of same - - - - - \$ 14 90
 Families found destitute of Bible - - - - - 40
 Nineteen young preachers helped in Howard College, and
 six in the Seminary.

BAPTIST STATE BOARD OF MISSIONS.
 (RECEIPTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1895.)

State Missions	\$ 7,748 86
(Of this amount \$300 is included from Baptist S. S. Board, Nashville.)	
Church building	3 01
Judson debt	140 90
Bible and Colportage	340 89
Children's Day	128 31
Centennial Missions	4 00
Ministerial Education	1,936 81
Orphanage	372 92
H. M. debt	54 95
Church building, El Paso church	65 75
Pura Cova	58 30
Cuban Missions	7 50
Indian Missions	3 72
Cuban Missions, Girl	9 00
Home Missions	3,341 13
African Missions	4 70
Mexican Girl	18 00
Miss Kelley	348 75
Madeira Inst	54 00
Sunbeams Missionary	52 25
Birmingham Missionary	198 31
Foreign Missions	3,828 50
China Missions	118 55
North China Missions	20 90
Japan Missions	17 06
Italian Missions	5 00
Foreign Mission debt	568 76
Howard College	24 41
Aged and Infirm Ministers	12 56
Judson Institute	22 20
Total receipts	\$19,510 09

BOOK DEPARTMENT.

Total receipts from "Contributors:"	
From churches	\$325 49
From A. B. P. S., Bibles and Testaments	150 00
From B. S. Board, Bibles and Testaments	25 00—\$ 500 49
Total sales	5,352 54

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR 5 YEARS.

1890, For State Missions,	\$8,795	For all purposes	\$20,265
1891, For State Missions,	8,255	For all purposes	19,280
1892, For State Missions,	7,617	For all purposes	19,197
1893, For State Missions,	8,783	For all purposes	24,414
1894, Short year—only 8 months.			
1895, For State Missions,	\$7,748	For all purposes	19,510

REPORT ON HOME MISSIONS.

The field of labor of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention is composed of the Southern States and the territories and the island of Cuba. At the time this board was organized in 1845, the aggregate membership of the Southern churches did not exceed 450,000, of whom 200,000 were colored, while the present membership is more than 2,700,000. The Home Mission Board has been an important factor in promoting this growth of membership.

The Home Mission Board seems to have taken on new life since its headquarters have been removed to Atlanta, Ga. Notwithstanding the general financial depression, according to the report of the board at the last session of the Southern Baptist Convention, the last year was the most prosperous in its history, as appears from the following general statement:

"Number of missionaries this year, four hundred and twenty-five,—an increase of forty-four over last year and more than in any year of the board's history."

"Baptized five thousand nine hundred and twenty-one,—an increase of one thousand four hundred and fifty-one over last year, and five hundred and seventy-two more than have been baptized in any year since the organization of the Convention."

"Cash receipts \$88,640.20, being \$15,314.29 larger than last year, and greater than any year except the centennial."

"Increase of missionaries has been nearly 12 per cent., of receipts 20 per cent., and of baptisms 32 per cent."

This is a very gratifying showing for the board to be able to make, as the above statistics speak for themselves and indicate that it has entered upon a new era of success.

Respectfully submitted,

E. A. PHILLIPS, Chairman.

REPORT ON FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Your Committee on Foreign Missions beg leave to submit the following:

Carrying forward Foreign Mission work is but obeying the command of our Savior, who said: "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

The gospel of Christ is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. The duty of publishing this gospel everywhere is imperative, for said the Master, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth, go ye therefore." And again: "This gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations."

The work of publishing this message is a pleasing and glorious work. In its effect it binds up the broken hearted, proclaims liberty to the captives and the opening of the prison to them that are bound, and comforts all that mourn.

The work of preaching this gospel of the kingdom everywhere is a delightful and pleasing task, because the kingdom which it proposes, in its effect, to build up and establish, is an everlasting kingdom which shall rise and flourish and have no end, and the glorious King to which it alludes must reign until he hath put all enemies under his feet.

And once more, preaching this gospel in foreign lands is a glorious work because, as a result, they shall come from the East and West, and North and South, and shall sit down with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of their Father.

We, your Committee, do not feel it our duty to try to make arguments in support of Foreign Missions as being scripturally authenticated, but do regard it a very important matter, that the Association consider and adopt the best and most effectual plans for advancing the work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. CONGER,

J. A. DUNN,

M. A. JOHNSON,

Committee.

REPORT ON SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

DEAR BRETHREN—We are sorry to note the small number of Baptists who take an active interest in Sunday-school work. We find from the statistics of our last session of the Carey Association only seven churches out of thirty-nine reporting Sunday-schools; and among 2670 members, only 426 students and officers in the Sunday schools; and when we take into consideration the fact that a majority of these students were members of no church, or members of other denominations, it brings it down to a very small per centage of Baptists indeed who are giving the Sunday-schools their support.

Brethren, these things ought not to be. There is a cause for every trouble. Remove the cause and the trouble will cease. The plan is laid down in God's word. We are called into his vineyard to work. We are commanded to bring up the children in the way they should go. Are we doing it? Your Committee can conceive of no better way than by bringing them together every Lord's day to study His word, and be instructed in the way of truth. Brother pastors, give your churches no rest on this subject till every one organizes a Sunday-school. Brother deacons, and laymen, assist your pastors in this great work. The Sunday-school is only the church at work. Then brethren, for the sake of the Master's cause, for the sake of the poor little waifs of our land who are growing up in ignorance, awake and do your duty along this line, and we are sure the time is not far distant when all the churches will come up with a full report of Sunday-school work. May the Lord help you to do your duty is the prayer of your committees.

S. A. G. THOMAS,

J. J. McCORD,

Committee.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE.

We, your Committee on Temperance, beg leave to submit the following:

Temperance! What is temperance? It is that which God has ordained and commanded the whole human family to observe. First, We should be temperate in all things for the preservation of

our physical powers. To be intemperate in eating, sleeping, working, talking, or in idleness, sows the seed of disease, when fruited, brings dissolution of the body. Second, Temperance is the way that God has appointed for us to preserve our minds for a high and grand usefulness in life. Intemperance dethrones reason; makes the mind delirious, lowering beneath the brute beast; is degradation and shame in this life, and in the life to come everlasting death. Third, Intemperance of the tongue is an evil full of deadly poison which sets on fire the whole course of nature, even the fire of hell, to be double tongued intemperate. Temperance in talking is greatly needed. Speak not evil of thy neighbor, of thy brother, of thy pastor, nor of one another. The Lord spake no railing against any man. He is our way, our example, therefore, brethren, be temperate in talking, for an intemperate tongue stirs up wrath. Fourth, The use of intoxicating spirits as a beverage is intemperance which lowers and ruins man and unfits him for any usefulness in life. It dethrones all reason of the mind, destroys the principle of love, making man without natural affection, truce breakers, liars, thieves, murderers, and all together desperately wicked. Making the husband and father worse than a brute, ruining home. Intemperance ruins the bright sons of fathers and mothers, bringing many to the jail and to the gallows. Young men and boys, children, children of the Carey Baptist Association, we cry with a warning voice, shun all of the bar-rooms and drinking shops, for they are traps in the hands of devils to destroy you. Brethren, we can't afford to tolerate intemperance and drunkenness, when we look out and see the vast evil that is upon us today. Because of strong drink our nations, our sons destiny, largely depends upon the position taken by us, the representatives of Christ. Therefore, we cannot afford to be on the side of intemperance.

Be strong, courageous, and put away from you all beverages and traffic of strong drink. Our every interest demands it. Our profession demands it. Our loyalty to Christ demands it. We pray God to make this Association temperate in all things, is the prayer of your committee.

J. C. MOTLEY,
J. W. KNOWLES,
Committee.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL EDUCATION.

The Committee on Ministerial Education, beg leave to submit the following report:

This is a day of education and advancement, and the demand of the times is for educated manhood and womanhood. This being so, it is important that ministerial education should be pushed with increased earnestness of purpose. Our ministers should be leaders and teachers in the fullest sense. Our pastors should be amply qualified to be teachers indeed. Their culture should be such that they could cope with the great questions now before us. We would commend the instructions of Apostle Paul to Timothy. The great and overshadowing prerequisite is that our ministers shall comprehend fully the relation which they sustain toward God and man—having their souls, hearts and minds in the work. Then, as a supplement to this qualification, in order to fully discharge this great responsibility, they should be equipped with the very best classical

education possible. We are greatly deficient in our own Association on this last point, and our people should assist in this work. We want to say, however, that our representative ministers are perhaps the best educated and brightest and brainiest and most liberal hearted class of men on this continent; and the great work accomplished by them is the strongest argument we can present for an educated ministry.

M. W. WHATLEY,
J. D. GARRETT,
Committee.

In view of the importance of the better education of our ministers, on the field, who cannot attend College or Seminary, and believing that they can only be reached by the correspondence plan of study, and believing that the Anderson course of study, conducted by Dr. G. S. Anderson on the correspondence plan, and strengthened by his Institute work, is our best if not our only hope for helping them. Therefore, be it resolved by this Association:

1. That we calender the Anderson course of study with the other regular work of this Association, and that we recommend to our churches that they so calender the work and take regular collections in its favor.

2. That we recommend to the Home Board, and to our State Board of Missions, to make this work in favor of our field ministry, as a part of their regular work.

REPORT ON FINANCE.

We, your Committee on Finance, submit the following report:

We find for minutes	-	-	-	-	\$50.05—\$ 50.05
We find for Bible and Colportage—					
Cash	-	-	-	-	45.05
Vouchers	-	-	-	-	29.00— 74.68
We find for Home Missions—					
Cash	-	-	-	-	29.86
Vouchers	-	-	-	-	10.82— 40.68
We find for Foreign Missions—					
Cash	-	-	-	-	51.78
Vouchers	-	-	-	-	28.66— 80.44
We find for State Missions—					
Cash	-	-	-	-	28.71
Vouchers	-	-	-	-	25.45— 54.16
We find for Orphans' Home—					
Vouchers	-	-	-	-	12.42— 12.42
Grand total	-	-	-	-	\$ 311.80

F. J. INGRAM,
W. B. SMITH,
A. W. PARKER,
Committee.

Received from Finance Committee—					
Cash for Minutes	\$	50	05		
For Bible and Colportage Work—					
Cash	\$45	05			
Vouchers	29	00	74	05	
For Home Missions—					
Cash	29	86			
Vouchers	10	82	40	68	
For Foreign Missions—					
Cash	51	78			
Vouchers	28	66	80	44	
For State Missions—					
Cash	28	71			
Vouchers	25	45	54	16	
For Orphans' Home—					
Vouchers			12	42	
Total	\$	311	80		

Vouchers—Bible and Colportage Work	\$ 29 00
Vouchers—Home Missions	10 82
Vouchers—Foreign Missions	28 66
Vouchers—State Missions	25 45
Vouchers—Orphans' Home	12 42
Cash used in printing and distributing minutes	50 05
Cash paid W. T. Davis, Colporteur and Evangelist	142 00
Cash on hand	13 42
Total	\$311 80

STANDING COMMITTEES.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—A. D. Thompson, J. D. Dunn, J. R. Jarrell,
J. T. Motley, A. C. Allen.
STATE MISSIONS—F. J. Ingram, L. F. Morgan, W. C. Brooks.
HOME MISSIONS—W. J. D. Upshaw, A. W. Parker, W. P. Bell.
FOREIGN MISSIONS—M. W. Whatley, J. D. Upshaw, Alex. Allen.
MINISTERIAL EDUCATION—H. J. Willingham, J. C. Motley, E. A.
Phillips.
BIBLE AND COLPORTAGE WORK—J. R. Conger, W. H. Hooton, J. T.
Anderson.
SABBATH-SCHOOLS—J. A. Lowry, *D. Dawkins, C. Z. Luker.
TEMPERANCE—W. O. Jenkins, J. T. Mountain, A. H. Fargason.
PERIODICALS—W. H. Johnston, Z. T. Carpenter, George Griffin.

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF MINISTERS.

ORDAINED.

W. T. Davis, Lineville.	W. M. Worthy, Maitland.
J. W. Knowles, Lineville.	R. E. Conger, Hackneyville.
W. O. Jenkins, Lineville.	J. R. Conger, Hackneyville.
A. J. Moore, Lineville.	J. A. Dunn, Daviston.
W. J. D. Upshaw, Lineville.	W. I. Dunn, Daviston.
W. C. Brooks, Ashland.	J. C. Motley, Daviston.
J. H. Moore, Ashland.	W. H. Johnston, Ashland.
M. M. Driver, Millerville.	J. J. McCord, Gibsonville.
W. Harvell, Millerville.	C. I. Wesley, Chapdler Springs
R. A. Allen, Emuckfaw.	Alex. Allen, Lesley.
M. A. Johnson, Bluff Springs.	W. H. Preston, Barfield.
G. W. Holdridge, Sykesville.	R. J. Adamson, Dingler.
L. Roberison, Almond.	B. B. Cotton, Chandler Springs
A. J. Browning, Miller Valley.	James Muncus, Swan.

LICENTIATES.

R. F. Willingham, Almond.	J. M. Fant, Daviston.
J. L. Joiner, Wheelerville.	D. R. Laney, Daviston.
J. Willingham, Dingler.	S. Bennett, _____.
G. W. McMullen, Ashland.	J. W. Dean, Miller Valley.
I. F. Morgan, Coleta.	C. B. Thurman, _____.
G. R. Wolf, Lineville.	J. W. Carden, Chandler Springs
J. T. Anderson, Millerville.	

CORRESPONDING LETTER.

DEAR BRETHREN—We send kindly greeting to you after our deliberations in the forty-first annual session of the Carey Baptist Association which has just convened. Our attendance was large, and our brethren seem to be in a spirit for moving upward in the cause of the Master. Harmony prevailed, and some of our brethren made inspiring addresses in behalf of the great cause of missions. Altogether, it was a most interesting and profitable session.

Your correspondents were gladly welcomed, and we send ours to meet with you in your respective bodies. May you be guided by the great Ruler and his richest blessings be with you.

CLERK.

CONSTITUTION.

1. This Association shall meet annually as an advisory council, and shall be composed of messengers chosen by the churches of this union, and all regularly ordained ministers of our faith and order within the bounds of the body.

2. Each church shall be entitled to two messengers, irrespective of numbers, and one for every additional fifty thereafter over fifty.

3. The messengers and ministers thus convened shall be denominated the CAREY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION.

4. This Association shall have a Moderator and Clerk, who shall be chosen by the members present at each session, and shall be of the body, holding their offices until the next election. The Clerk shall also be Treasurer of the Association.

5. The churches of this union shall express in their letters the names of their messengers and their postoffices, Sabbath of meeting, amount of contributions, number baptized, received by letter, restored to fellowship, dismissed, excommunicated and dead since the last session of this Association.

6. No act of the Association shall be binding on the churches, but it shall be its duty to give advice in matters of difficulty and endeavor to preserve the union of the churches.

7. If any churches desire to be admitted into this union they shall petition by letter, and messengers, and upon examination, if found orthodox and orderly, shall be received by the Association.

8. Any church may withdraw from this Association at discretion, or, on application, may obtain a letter of dismission.

9. This Association shall use her own discretion as respects the cause of missions, leaving the churches and members to exercise their own opinion in such cases.

10. If any church in this union shall become offended with a sister church in point of faith or practice, it shall be the duty of the aggrieved church to endeavor to reclaim the church thus offending, and if satisfaction cannot be obtained the aggrieved church shall then call in the aid of one or two other churches to act with the first two assisting churches; and it shall be the duty of the churches thus called to investigate and decide upon the matter of dealing and to report the same to the Association; and if the said accused church be guilty as charged, the Association shall withdraw from her.

11. This Association may correspond with other Associations and Conventions of the same faith and order, and withdraw her correspondence at discretion.

12. Amendments to this Constitution may be made by two-thirds of the members in session.

13. This Association may have power to adjourn to any time and place she may deem most convenient.

ABSTRACT OF PRINCIPLES.

1. We believe in only one true and living God and that there are three persons in the Godhead, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
2. We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the word of God and the only rule of faith and practice.
3. We believe in the doctrine of eternal and particular election.
4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin and the impotency of man to recover himself from the fallen state he is in by his own free will and ability.
5. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God only by the imputed righteousness of Jesus Christ.
6. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Ghost, and that the saints shall persevere in grace and never finally fall away.
7. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only proper subjects of the ordinances, and that immersion only is baptism.
8. We believe in the resurrection of the dead and a general judgment, and that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous will be eternal.

RULES OF DECORUM.

1. This Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.
2. Call for Letters from churches and enroll the names of messengers.
3. Proceed to election of Moderator and Clerk.
4. Call for Petitionary Letters from churches desiring admission into this body.
5. Appoint Committees on Preaching and Finance.
6. Receive correspondents.
7. DUTIES OF MODERATOR.—It shall be the duty of the Moderator to call the members to order before the Association; to receive and submit all questions regularly moved, and announce the result; to enforce the observance of decorum in debate among the members, and in general to perform all the duties incumbent upon a presiding officer.
8. DUTIES OF CLERK.—It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the Association to keep a fair record of the proceedings; to notify committees of their appointment; to preserve the papers belonging to the Association, and to attend to the printing of the minutes, for which he shall receive a reasonable compensation.
9. DUTIES OF MEMBERS.—Members rising to speak shall address the Moderator. 2. Any member, in speaking, shall confine himself to the subject under consideration. 3. No member shall speak more than thrice on the same subject without permission from the Moderator. 4. No member will be permitted to indulge in talking or whispering, or any indecorous conduct, to the annoyance of the body in time of debate. 5. No member shall absent himself from the body without permission of the Moderator.
10. These Rules may be altered by a majority of the members at a regular session of this body.

STATISTICS OF CAREY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1895.

CHURCH.	COUNTY.	PASTOR.	CLERK.	CLERK'S P. O.	Membership Last Reported.	INCREASE BY				DECREASE BY				SUNDAY-SCHOOL.		Preaching Sabbaths.	
						Baptism.	Letter.	Voucher.	Restoration.	Letter.	Exclusion.	Death.	Present Mem- bership.	Officers and Teachers.	Pupils.		SUPT. NAME AND P. O. ADDRESS.
1 Antioch	Clay	C. I. Wesley	A. W. Baggett	Enitachopco.	37	3	3			2			31			2	
2 Ashland	Clay	W. J. D. Upshaw	R. L. Black	Ashland	109	5	9		2	10	2	1	112	6	75	F. J. Ingram	3
3 Bethel	Clay	J. C. Motley	W. L. Pearson	Bluff Springs	75		4	1	1	11	1		66	5	76	J. C. Galloway	3
4 Bowden Grove	Clay	W. H. Johnson	U. V. Thomas	Ashland	54	5	13			4	1	1	66				1
5 Concord	Clay	C. I. Wesley	T. S. Barton	Copper Mines	82		2			3		1	80				3
6 Corinth	Clay	R. M. Allen	J. F. Carter	Wheelerville	28					6			22				1
7 County Line	Clay	W. H. Preston	J. H. Robertson	Miller Valley	122	5	1		1	2	2	4	121				1
8 Friendship	Clay	A. J. Moore	J. D. Griffin	Idaho	47		1			4	4		40				1
9 Good Hope	Clay	W. H. Preston	W. H. Griffin	Lineville	57	1	10			6		1	61	6	35	C. S. Weaver	2
10 Hatchett Creek	Clay	J. M. Solley	M. L. Ponder	Coleta	105	2	1			7		1	106	7	75	J. D. Garrett	1
11 Liberty	Clay	W. A. Johnson	J. E. Upchurch	Ashland	82	7	8			1			97	5	45	W. W. McMath	2
12 Lineville	Clay	W. J. D. Upshaw	C. S. Weaver	Lineville	198	2	4		1	18		3	184	7	125	B. H. Haynes	1-3
13 Lystra	Clay	M. A. Johnson	P. H. Burns	Ashland	70	1	16			3	1		83				4
14 Millerville	Clay	W. J. D. Upshaw	J. E. Nelson	Millerville	86	11	9		1	9		1	97		35		4
15 Mount Calvary	Tallapoosa	W. T. Davis	J. E. Ferguson	Emucklaw	38	8	6		5	22	1	1	33				4
16 Mount Olive																	
17 Mount Pleasant	Clay	W. H. Preston	Y. J. H. Bartlett	Bardfield	65	3	10		1	5	1		73				4
18 Mount Pisgah	Clay	M. A. Johnson	W. E. Rice	Ayershire	25	8	5						25				2
19 Mount Prospect	Randolph	J. A. Shadix	W. F. Strickland	Orelia	82	6	11		1	4			96	7	56		4
20 Mount Zion	Clay	J. J. McCord	R. E. Dewberry	Harlan	58	1	4	2		6	1		58				4
21 New Hope	Clay	J. A. Dunn	J. D. Farrow	Wheelerville	41		2			8	3		32				4
22 New Salem	Tallapoosa	J. O. Davis	J. O. Davis	New Site	77	3	3			7		1	75				1
23 Pole Bridge	Clay	Alex. Allen	W. D. Parsons	Chandler Springs	94	2	1		1	3			94				3
24 Providence	Tallapoosa	J. R. Conger	G. T. Vernon	Hackneyville	133	1	2			13	2	1	120				3
25 Rock Creek	Tallapoosa	J. J. McCord	G. B. Rotten	Cowpen	52	6	6	1	1	2	2		63				3
26 Rock Springs	Clay	M. A. Johnson	J. B. Luker	Holmes	77					6	1	2	68	6	62	C. J. Luker	1
27 Rock Hill	Clay	C. I. Wesley	H. J. Mitchel	Waldo	36					6	3		27				1
28 Salem	Clay	W. M. Worthy	W. M. Farrow	Wheelerville	176	5	13		3	22	2	4	189				3
29 Sardis	Clay	J. R. Conger	J. H. Hooton	Gibsonville	56	4	1			14			29				2
30 Shiloh	Clay	W. M. Garrett	J. C. Stanford	Maitland	92	1	2			3	3		85			J. D. Burks	3
31 Spring Hill	Clay	W. H. Johnson	J. T. Bonner	Idaho	75	9	4	1		4			85				4
32 Spring Hill	Tallapoosa	J. L. Gregory	A. C. Yeagan	Daviston	168	11	4			7	2	1	173	8	74	J. D. Dunn, Daviston	2-4
33 Union Hill	Clay	Henry Linton	Henry Linton	Hatchett Creek	44	1	1						13				1
34 Union	Clay	W. M. Worthy	J. S. Stevens	Truett	49	6	15			2			68	8	65	S. L. Walker	1
35 Zion Hill	Tallapoosa	J. C. Motley	J. T. McElvey	Sessions	43	5	1	4	1	1	1		52	6	50	W. B. Smith	3
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FINANCIAL EXHIBIT OF CAREY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, 1895.

CHURCH.	STATE MISSIONS.		HOME MISSIONS.		FOREIGN MISSIONS.		Orphans' Home.	BIBLE AND COL- PORTAGE.		Minutes.	Sunday-School. School Expenses	Other Benevo- lences	Pastor's Salary.	Value of Buildings and Furniture.
	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.	Cash.	Voucher.		Cash.	Voucher.					
1 Antioch.....										\$ 75				\$ 200
2 Ashland.....	4 15	1 57	\$ 7 00	\$ 2 55	\$ 8 93	\$ 3 15	\$ 2 45			2 60				
3 Bethel.....								\$ 1 60		1 50				
4 Bowden Grove.....			5 00							1 80				250
5 Concord.....										1 50				300
6 Corinth.....	50				1 00			75		1 05				
7 County Line.....	1 65		75		2 50					1 90				
8 Friendship.....	1 10									1 00				
9 Good Hope.....					11 30					1 20			\$ 40 00	350
10 Hatchett Creek.....										1 05			27 60	500
11 Liberty.....										1 50				
12 Lineville.....	5 46	15 61	5 46	3 02	6 95	20 15	75 00	1 00	\$15 00	3 15	\$ 24 00		450 00	800
13 Lystra.....			1 25							1 00				
14 Millerville.....	1 65	60		3 25	1 00	1 65	2 40	4 90	1 00	2 00				
15 Mount Calvary.....	2 40				2 40			5 00		1 10				
16 Mount Olive.....										70				
17 Mount Pleasant.....	2 00		2 00		2 00					1 50				400
18 Mount Pisgah.....	75									1 40				
19 Mount Prospect.....			3 40		5 00			2 00		1 55				
20 Mount Zion.....										55				
21 New Hope.....										80				300
22 New Salem.....								2 50		1 50		\$ 8 00	50 00	300
23 Pole Bridge.....										1 50				
24 Providence.....	6 85		5 00		5 00			10 00		2 00				
25 Rock Creek.....										1 60				
26 Rock Springs.....			1 00		2 85					1 50			35 00	500
27 Rock Hill.....										80				
28 Salem.....		1 00		1 00					2 00	1 20				
29 Sardis.....					2 80			2 00		75				
30 Shiloh.....										1 15				
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